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Football club hits out at lack of council help

By Adam Flinn

THE question of where Basingstoke Town will be playing their football next season is up in the air again after its two proposals for a new stadium were scuppered.

The club has been in discussions to move out of the Camrose and find a new site within the town, after saying the current ground "is no longer economically or practicably feasible".

But last week the club said both its options had fallen through, and criticised Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council for a lack of help in finding an alternative site.

Now the council has hit back, saying it has not seen any evidence that the Camrose is not a viable option.

All of this means it is unclear where Basingstoke Town will be playing its home matches next season.

"We are now left with few options. It's very sad indeed," said club chairman Rafi Razzak.

"We are very disappointed with the lack of tangible help from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, which despite encouraging us to submit proposals over several years, stopped our original plans for a new stadium in the town last year.

"At numerous meetings since then, they have offered to help, but in reality they have not offered any new sites for us to consider.

"They seem unlikely to allow a retail development at the Camrose, which could help the club to build a new stadium within the town."

The two options being pursued were selling the Camrose for a retail development to be built in its place, or upgrading the Winklebury football site currently occupied by the Hampshire FA.

Plan A was to sell the Camrose to a high-value retail development, with the money used to clear the company's debts and generate enough income to pay for a new stadium to be built.

However the club said that in discussions it had with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, the authority said they would favour housing there – what the club refers to as a low-value development.

Plan B would have been to redevelop the Winklebury site as Hampshire FA was considering leaving, but it has now decided to stay there.

Simon Bound, the council's cabinet member responsible for sport, said: "I am of course concerned about the future of the club and its teams and have had representations from supporters about the timescale now being imposed. The reality is that finding the right options for the future of the club, such as other funding solutions or community ownership, will take considerable time.

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Volunteers recognised at awards

High Sheriff Tom Floyd with some of the award winners

VOLUNTEERS who do "good work for the community" have been recognised as an awards event.

The High Sheriff of Hampshire Tom Floyd presented commendations to 21 recipients at a ceremony at the Great Hall in Winchester, earlier this month.

High Sheriff Awards are a mark of distinction and recognition given to individual volunteers and community groups based in Hampshire who are making a significant contribution to society, with a particular emphasis on safety and cohesion in the community.

Among the groups receiving recognition was Hampshire Community Court, in Basingstoke.

The court, which was set up last July, is a peer court programme where young trained volunteers hold

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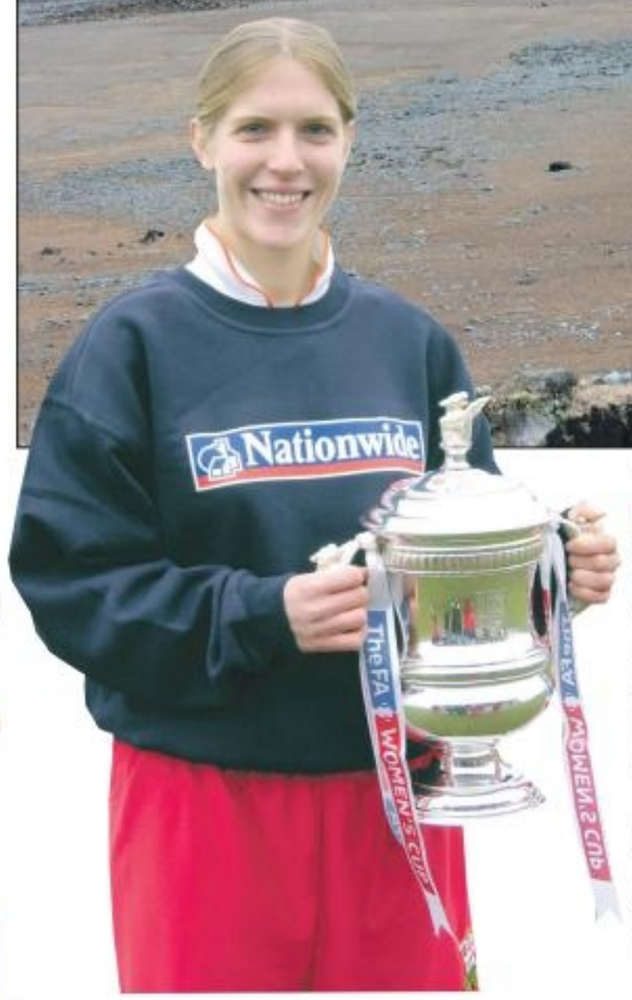

Katie in action on the pitch

By Adam Flinn

NOT many people would dream of playing football on top of one of the world's highest mountains.

But a Basingstoke woman is set for the experience of a lifetime as she joins up with a team for a match near the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro... on a volcanic ash pitch.

Katie Donegan, 33, has signed up to the Equal Playing Field initiative, which is staging the game in Tanzania this June to raise awareness for the lack of support around the world for women's sport.

No one has ever played football on top of a mountain before, so they will also be breaking the Guinness World Record for the highest altitude game.

"I thought it was right up my street," said Katie, who plays for Basingstoke Town Ladies FC.

"I've played football since I was little and I love doing crazy new things with cool people.

"A lot of women and girls don't play sport into adulthood and this is an opportunity to be role models for all those women and say 'yes you can carry on playing sport and doing things'."

Katie and the other players will have to climb the 5,895m (19,330ft) tall mountain, lugging the goalposts, footballs and other equipment.

Near the top is a plateau the size of 23 football pitches where they will play on a volcanic ash surface.

Katie said: "When they said they would be playing on the side of the mountain, I thought you'd have to be really careful not to lose the ball!

"I've been doing lots of long walks around Basingstoke and I live in Skyline Plaza, which is 19 floors, so I've been climbing all the way to the top as training."

Equal Playing Field was set up by co-founders Erin Blankenship and Laura Youngson.

Eight arrested as drugs officers raid five properties

EIGHT people have been arrested after raids at five addresses in Basingstoke last week in an operation to disrupt the supply of class A drugs.

Police executed warrants in Brighton Hill, Kings Furlong, Rooksdown and Winklebury in which three vehicles, a shotgun, cash and drugs were seized.

Five men and three women from Basingstoke and London were arrested on suspicion of charges relating to the possession and supply of drugs.

Sergeant Carl Holmes said: "The message is clear – we will work tirelessly to identify and dismantle drugs networks.

"Class A drugs can do tremendous harm to the people whose lives are blighted by addiction.

"We will not tolerate drug dealing in Basingstoke and will do all we can to disrupt it."

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Council agrees schools hit by fall in pupils can merge

By Samantha McGregor

Fort Hill Community School

A COUNCIL has approved proposals to merge two schools after both registered a drop in the number of pupils.

Hampshire County Council's executive member for education, Peter Edgar, has backed a recommendation to close Fort Hill Community School in Winklebury and merge it with Cranbourne Business and Enterprise College.

A new specific learning difficulties resource provision would also be established at Cranbourne Business and Enterprise College, the council said.

The decision came on Monday after a joint application by the schools.

The council has previously said that out of 145 available year 7 places at Fort Hill for this September, there were just 35 first choice applications.

Residents opposed the move with more than 1,000 people signing a petition demanding the school remained open.

Following the decision Cllr Edgar said: "As a parent and a former teacher myself who has experienced a number of school reorganisations I can empathise with those against the amalgamation of Fort Hill Community School with Cranbourne Business and Enterprise College.

"However, my concern is for the students at the school now and it is clear to me that the school's current position, with falling numbers on roll, is not sustainable. The fact remains that Fort Hill only attracted 35 first choice applicants from 220 children living in the catchment area for September 2017.

"This means that the school is facing serious financial difficulties in the form of a large deficit. School funding is determined on a per pupil basis.

"Around 80 per cent of a school's budget is for staffing, so with less funding the school would be forced to reduce its staff and that would have an immediate impact on the range and quality of education it could provide to its students.

"My decision today has been to agree to publish, later this week, statutory notices for the closure of the school. On publication of notices, there will be a four week period when people will be able to respond."

A council report also said GCSE results in the maintained schools close to Fort Hill were all higher than in Fort Hill and the merger would offer better progress rates for pupils.

Provision for Fort Hill Community School will be discontinued from August 31.

Peer court deals with young law breakers

• *From front page*

children aged 10 to 17 to account when they have broken the law for the first time.

This is done through positive peer influence to counter the negative pressures associated with early child offending.

High Sheriff Mr Floyd said: "The awards ceremony was a truly inspiring occasion and I am delighted to recognise these unsung heroes carrying out their great work and making a real difference to their communities.

"I have seen first-hand the outstanding work carried out across Hampshire in order to provide support to vulnerable people in our area."

Other organisations who received awards included The Right to Work – Beacon Group, in Havant, The Round About Café, in Southampton, and Hythe Youth Club & Volunteers, based in Hythe.

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'No other land available'

• *From front page*

"I have frequently reiterated to the club that there is no other public land in the council's ownership suitable for the relocation of the stadium for the private club at low or no cost, and stressed the need for formal planning advice on any possible sites.

"As owners of some of the land at the Camrose site, we are keen to fully explore the option of improving the facilities there and we have not yet seen, despite frequent requests, any evidence to show why that is not a viable option.

"We are surprised that there is now such a pressing deadline to leave that site."

The club had previously submitted a planning application to build a 5,000-seater stadium in Eastrop, but this was turned down by the borough council.

It was following this decision that Mr Razzak said he would be stepping down as chairman at the end of the season.

News Bites

Austen marriage

BASINGSTOKE: Jane Austen's fake marriage document is to be showcased by Hampshire County Council.

It will go on show at Winchester Discovery Centre in May as part of the celebration this year marking 200 years since the writer's death.

Jane Austen is thought to have playfully written the work for herself in her teens.

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Tributes to father after A31 crash

TRIBUTES have been paid to a "much loved son, brother and doting father" who died after a collision on the A31 in Alton.

Nicholas Davey, 28, from Guildford, never recovered following a crash between his Suzuki Swift and an Audi A4.

It happened at 3.45m on March 8 and Mr Davey was taken to Southampton General Hospital, where he died the following day.

His family have since paid tribute in a statement, which said: "Nick was a much loved son, brother and a doting father who leaves behind a young son.

"He was a quirky young man and a talented barber who had a huge zest for life and a kind and generous heart.

"He had a love of tattoos, music, West Ham, sport and travel. We as a family are heartbroken and will miss him terribly.

"Anyone who knew him couldn't fail to be aware of his love of all things Star Wars – may the Force be with you always Nick."

The driver of the Audi, a 55-year-old woman from South Wonston near Winchester, suffered minor injuries.

Anyone with information about the collision is asked to contact police on 101.

Plans to convert disused care home into affordable housing

By Adam Flinn

AN abandoned care home in Buckskin could be set for a new lease of life as plans have emerged to turn it into 15 affordable houses and flats.

Councillors agreed last week to remove a restriction that said Deeside, in Alliston Way, could only be used as an old people's home, paving the way for it to be demolished to make way for housing.

It hasn't been used as a care home since 2014, but Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council has agreed to modify the restriction subject to Sovereign Housing Association getting planning permission.

John Izett, the council's cabinet member for property and development, said: "I am delighted that this council is helping in the development of much-needed new affordable homes to rent in Buckskin.

"I understand and welcome Sovereign Housing Association's proposal to focus on providing smaller units for which there is demand currently, including for single people, couples and older people."

Hampshire County Council owns the land Deeside is on.

The borough council imposed the restriction at the time of the sale.

Sovereign's proposal would see the Deeside building demolished and the homes built in its place.

The borough council will have rights to nominate local people in the borough to be tenants in the new development.

The move comes after the recent sale of the council-owned Aldermaston Road Triangle site, on which over 90 new homes are to be built.

Stuart Roberts, head of development at Sovereign, said: "We're pleased to have agreed a deal to purchase the land from Hampshire County Council, subject to planning.

"We are working closely with Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council in relation to the layout and design of the new properties, before submitting a detailed application seeking planning permission for the scheme.

"This is a great opportunity to build much-needed affordable homes in Basingstoke."

Dr Rohin Mittal (second left) with Basingstoke hospital bowel cancer specialists Faheez Mohamed, Brendan Moran and Tom Cecil. Rohin will be taking valuable cancer treatment knowledge back to India

Cancer research boost

DOCTORS from southern India have been working at Basingstoke hospital as part of a six-month research project into appendix tumours.

Surgeon Dr Rohin Mittal and his radiologist wife Anuradha spent time with bowel cancer specialists from the Pelican Cancer Foundation.

They attended workshops and helped with research studies, resulting in new findings into the spread and treatment of high-grade tumours.

"We will be taking back new ideas to our hospital, the Christian Medical College in Vellore, and our research will influence our medical practice for the rest of our lives," said Rohin.

"It is very satisfying to have taken part in these research projects and I hope it will make a huge difference to the lives of bowel cancer patients in the future."

Sarah Crane, chief executive of the Pelican Cancer Foundation, added: "It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with Rohin and Anu over the last six months.

"I am sure that their energy and thirst for knowledge will be an enormous benefit to their patients when they return to India."

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Physicist's laser show thrills school's science club pupils

SCIENTISTS from the Atomic Weapons Establishment (AWE) paid a visit to a Basingstoke school as part of British Science Week last week.

Physicist Dr Matthew Hill popped in to North Waltham Primary School to talk about and demonstrate his high-powered laser experiments.

He said: "Space exploration and astrophysics have been a real passion of mine for as long as I can remember and motivated me to do a physics degree and then a PhD.

"I know that the work we do helps to keep our country safe and gives me a sense of purpose in addition to all the amazing science."

Science club member William said: "We were all so excited to meet Dr Hill and find out more about his interesting work. I know 100 per cent I want to be a scientist."

Other events hosted by AWE included a presentation to pupils about the water cycle, experiments using liquid nitrogen and a demonstration from sniffer dog summer in locating illegal substances.

AWE engineer Nathan Yates hosting an experiment at North Waltham Primary School

Couple's compassion helps boy to escape the clutches of gangs

Geoff and Christine Allwright with Geyson

By Adam Flinn

A TADLEY couple who have been sponsoring a teenage boy through child development charity Compassion UK have just returned from visiting him in Nicaragua.

Geoff and Christine Allwright flew out to central America to meet 15-year-old Geyson, who they have been funding for just over a year.

Geyson lives on the plains of Managua, where the homes are typically built with dirt floors, brick walls and tin roofs, and most adults earn the equivalent of £66 per month.

The Allwrights' £25 a month sponsorship allows Geyson to be part of the local Compassion project, meaning he receives nutritious meals, medical attention and the chance to get a good quality education.

"The thing I will remember the most from our trip is the love and care of the Compassion staff and the embrace of Geyson," said Christine.

"Despite the miles between us he is very much part of our extended family. He has grown into such a lovely young man. We gave him an album filled with photos of our family, which he loved, and we then spent the afternoon at the zoo which was so much fun."

Nicaragua is the second poorest nation in the region after Haiti. While 90 per cent of children are enrolled in primary school, many can't attend as they work.

Geoff added: "Geyson's project director explained how gang culture is one of the main challenges in the area. Some of his friends are already involved in gangs, but Geyson chooses to stay out of trouble.

"The support and care of the Compassion staff are helping him to make positive choices for his life."

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Whiskey festival

ALTON: A new whiskey festival is being held at the Assembly Rooms on April 15.

The Whiskey Affair started in London two years ago, and is now being rolled out further afield.

Alton's event will include live music, cocktails, guest speakers and a wide range of whiskey brands to sample.

Go to thewhiskeyaffair.co.uk for more details.

SIDS support

HAMPSHIRE: Ranil Jayawardena, the MP for North East Hampshire, is urging local authorities to ensure health professionals are getting the right training and support to help prevent sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

It comes as charity The Lullaby Trust found 61 per cent of parents in the south east were unsure of the steps needed to reduce the risks of SIDS.

ICT honour

BASINGSTOKE: The Oakridge Schools Federation has been awarded the ICT Mark.

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Headteacher Diane Charman said: "It is essential our children are equipped for the modern world."

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Speak to Ranil

HOOK: North East Hampshire MP Ranil Jayawardena hosted a public meeting for residents to raise any issues.

Mr Jayawardena has held a number of 'Tell Ranil' sessions across the constituency and is encouraging other areas to apply.

For more information, email ranil@tellranil.com.

Jeweller reopens

BASINGSTOKE: Jewellery store Goldsmiths has opened its refurbished store in Festival Place.

The shop was temporarily closed while work was carried out, with a pop-up operating a few doors down.

Manager Annaliesa Claus said: "We are confident our customers will enjoy the showroom even more."

'Preserve house'

HARTLEY WINTNEY: Bramshill House must be preserved intact, says the Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE).

Plans are currently being considered to build 283 homes at the Jacobean mansion.

CPRE Hampshire spokesman Edward Dawson said: "We feel strongly that not all options have been fully explored. It should not have too many houses built in its grounds."

Boxers bash Swedes for cancer research charity

By Adam Flinn

Lewis Richardson and Abdesslam Chabi in the ring (Picture by John Hodge) Below: Mo Harris Akbar is presented with the Best Male Boxer award (Picture by Rod Clarke)

IT may not be the most traditional rivalry between nations, but England got revenge on Sweden at the Basingstoke Deane Rotary Club International Boxing Tournament.

The hosts chalked up an impressive victory after winning six of the seven bouts in front of 300 guests at the Hampshire Court Hotel in Chineham.

The result makes up for the last time the two countries faced each other in this tournament in 2013, when Sweden won convincingly.

But at the end of the day it was all to raise money for the rotary club's charities, with most of the £14,000 collected going to the Ark Cancer Centre Charity.

Alan Gibson, president of Basingstoke Deane Rotary Club, said: "This was another excellent rotary boxing evening and my fellow rotarians and I are delighted that about £14,000 was raised for local good causes.

"The club is grateful to the bout sponsors and advertisers and all of the organisations who sponsored and hosted the tables.

"I would also like to thank England Boxing and their Swedish counterparts for providing the talented boxers who took part in the contests."

England's Mo Harris Akbar was judged to have produced the most dominant performance and earned the title of Best Male Boxer, while Sweden's Agnes Alexusson went home with the trophy for Best Female Boxer.

There was also a grand draw and auction for Ark Cancer Centre Charity's £5million appeal to build a new treatment centre.

County will get share of £175m road safety pot

HAMPSHIRE County Council is to receive a share of a £175million pot over the next four years to improve safety on dangerous roads.

It is one of eight authorities taking part in the Government initiative, with money in Hampshire to be used on improving the A32, A27 and A36.

Fifty roads across the UK will benefit from the funding to improve safety in this initial announcement.

Rob Humby, the council's executive member for transport, said: "Hampshire County Council is at the forefront of a new national initiative to improve safety on the roads by treating whole routes.

"We have been working on the potential of route assessments in Hampshire.

"We were very pleased to see this approach adopted by the Government in a pathfinder initiative, and also to be able to benefit from the safer roads fund."

The county council is now working with the Road Safety Foundation on specific measures to improve safety, which will be submitted to the Department for Transport.

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Lottery results for hospice

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: St Michael's Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw from Friday, March 17.

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 82452 of Hook, while ticket 71353 of Basingstoke claims second prize of £100.

Third prize of £50 goes to Hook ticket 60291, and Tadley ticket 06640 gets fourth prize of £20.

Prizes of £5 go to 74372, 81146, 43983, 77835, 37191, 29774, 42311, 61482, 61910, 35588, 63456, 54317, 75185, 19233, 02884 and 49606.

Sports tasters for teenagers

WINKLEBURY: After school sports for 11 to 17-year-olds is being run at the Sycamore Centre in the coming weeks.

There will be taster sessions in parkour and touch rugby and a junior boot camp.

The parkour is this afternoon from 4pm, touch rugby on March 28 and 30 from 4pm, and junior boot camp from 4.45pm on April 4 and 6.

For more information or to book a place, contact Gareth Evans on 01256 845685 or email gareth.evans@basingstoke.gov.uk.

Unseated jockey regains balance to clinch victory

By Katriona Ormiston

A YOUNG jockey at the front of the pack managed to scramble back into his saddle to clinch victory after a last fence blunder at a thrilling NFU Mutual Basingstoke and Hampshire Hunt Point to Point.

Crowds watched on as Charlie Marshall was unseated from Cynthia Woods' Skiptothegoodbit, flinging both his feet to the same side of the seven-year-old grey.

But in an action-packed Maiden Open, Skiptothegoodbit's speed and momentum helped Marshall keep his balance and sink back into the saddle to make it across the line in first place.

The penultimate of six races at Hackwood Park was just one of the highlights in tough conditions on March 12, after a morning downpour left the ground soft.

Spectators were also treated to activities including pony racing and a parade of hounds alongside shops, food and drink.

Charlie Corbett, of the Hampshire Hunt, said: "I was delighted by the quality of the racing and by the sight of so many people having a great day out despite the difficult conditions underfoot."

Thrilling action from the point to point on March 12. Picture: MJayPhotography

Teenage jockey Sam Lee made it look easy as he steered home eight-year-old Downbythestrand in the first event, the Farmtech Supplies Restricted race.

The pair won by by 15 lengths despite 18-year-old Lee having been up at the crack of dawn to milk 100 cows on the family's dairy farm before setting off for the races.

Trainer Fred Hutsby said of the horse: "I thought Sam may have given him a bit too much to do to be fair, but all credit to the horse and the jockey, they have pulled it out of the bag well."

He dubbed Lee, on his fourth winner of the season in his third year riding, one to watch for the future.

Mark Wilson, of NFU Mutual Basingstoke, said: "What a great day, point to point racing at its best, with many close finishes adding to the excitement. There was a large crowd relishing the racing, the stalls and the general enjoyable atmosphere."

Race two caused an upset for anyone who backed the favourite when Cut the Corner was taken on the line by junior Ellie Trousdale, on her mum's 13-year-old Be Definite, to claim her first win in her maiden ride.

She said: 'He has done all I have asked of him today, jumped well and I was able to drop him out a little and bring him into the race when I wanted to.

"Mum has got a bit excited about it all but she has put a lot of work into him over the past few months."

The two miles four furlongs Open Maiden for four, five and six-year-olds was taken by Pip Hooley's Tick Tock Ten, while the Conditions race was won by 4/1 shot Well Mett, trained by Christine Banks and ridden by her daughter Josephine who beat Oz Wedmore on Henrietta Knight's Ballypatrick.

Bringing the racing to a close, the Ward-Thomas Countryside Alliance Club members race for veteran and novice riders was taken in style by Martin Weston's Awesome George, ridden by novice Camellia Cotton.

'Improved' roundabout set to open

IMPROVEMENTS to a major roundabout in Basingstoke will open on Monday – three months ahead of schedule.

Hampshire County Council's £4m scheme to widen the A30 Winchester Road roundabout in Basingstoke, in a bid to ease congestion, will be complete by March 27.

As well as increasing the number of lanes on the roundabout and the approach roads, drainage has been upgraded to reduce the risk of localised flooding.

The final part of the work to install the traffic lights on the roundabout has been taking place this week.

Cllr Rob Humby, the council's executive member for environment and transport, said: "These improvements will have a considerable positive impact by improving journey times, road safety, and access for local developments such as the proposed 3,400 new homes and local services at the Manydown site.

"We have worked very hard to complete this major scheme ahead of programme and ensure disruption was kept to a minimum for those travelling through the area.

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Two speed crossword

Quick Clues Across

1 Exciting attention (11)
9 Conclusion (3)
10 Manner of performance (9)
11 Sailing vessel (5)
13 Empty (7)
14 Counting frame (6)
16 Strain (6)
18 Take by surprise (7)
19 Squander (5)
20 Ascribe (9)
21 Donkey (3)
22 Long-bodied insects (11)

Quick Clues Down

2 Bend head quickly (3)
3 Happening (5)
4 Corrects (6)
5 Brass instrument (7)
6 Silent (9)
7 January 1st (3,5,3)
8 Scatter here and there (11)
12 Distinctive quality (9)
15 Unfastening
17 Go back (6)
19 Circular revolving frame (5)
21 Imitate (3)

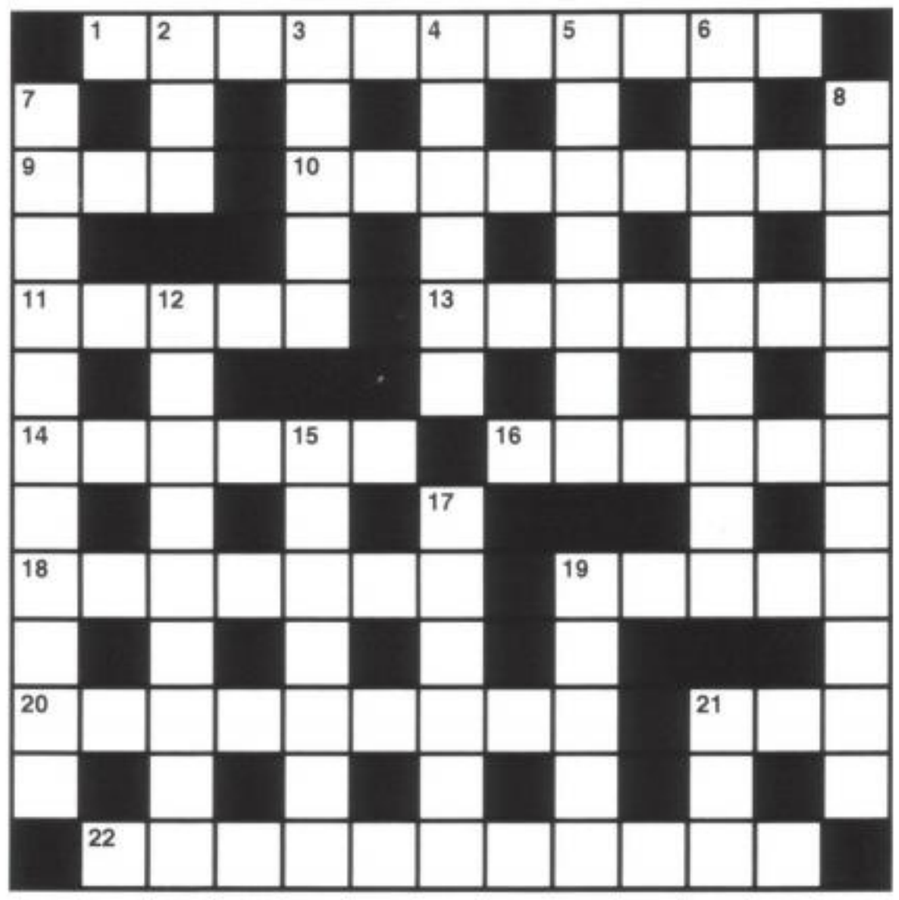
Scribble space

Cryptic Clues Across

1 Let Aunty vie with the change-over of any contingency (11)
9 3 down's cold centre (3)
10 Bail out in the box to check the measurements (9)
11 Ore who pulls a lot of weight can rise to a great height (5)
13 Useful way of starting a game (7)
14 Mistakes made by the traitor in time (6)
16 Sword for the god on the jetty (6)
18 No share of the speech (7)
19 Part of joint returned to group (5)
20 Praising the former tax on badly brewed gin? (9)
21 Stand as candidate while the show is on? (3)
22 Now for a birthday? (7,4)

Cryptic Clues Down

2 Compete in the review (3)
3 It is more agreeable to pull back about a hundred (5)
4 Except that the world assembly takes a smaller part (6)
5 A pound can make Spain and Portugal into an African country (7)
6 No, it comes back, and I move suddenly up for the custom, (9)
7 Now tell me it is rewritten as a classic story (6,5)
8 Going further into the assessment, after putting up half a poem for ten to back (11)
12 Fight, rave, or be the one to give a guarantee (9)
15 Toys with the dessert? (7)
17 An Asian and I in a mix-up (6)
19 Time for a sound lady's champion (5)
21 Drive home the animal (3)



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Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Interesting 9 End 10 Execution 11 Yacht 13 Deplete 14 Abacus 16 Stress 18 Startle 19 Waste 20 Attribute 21 Ass 22 Dragonflies

Down: 2 Nod Event 4 Emends 5 Trumpet 6 Noiseless 7 New Year's Day 8 Intersperse 12 Character 15 Untying 17 Return 19 Wheel 21 Ape

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Eventually 9 Ice 10 Calibrate 11 Tower 13 Service 14 Errata 16 Rapier 18 Oration 19 None! 20 Extolling 21 Run 22 Present time

Down: 2 Vie 3 Nicer 4 Unless 5 Liberia 6 Tradition 7 Little Women 8 Penetrating 12 Warrantor 15 Trifles 17 Indian 19 Night 21 Ram

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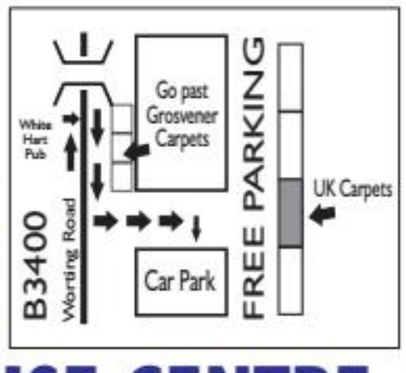

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Saturday March 25th

BBC1

Casualty, 8.25pm

6.00 Breakfast (S) **10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live** (S) **11.30 Mary Berry Everyday** (S)(R) **12.00 Football Focus** (S) **12.30 Money for Nothing** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (S) **1.15 Bargain Hunt** (S) **2.15 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **3.15 Wallace & Gromit: A Matter of Loaf and Death** (S)(R) **3.45** FILM **Brave (2012) (PG)** (S) **5.10 Who Dares Wins** (S) **5.50 BBC News** (S) **6.00 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **6.10 Pointless Celebrities** (S)(R) **6.55 Let's Sing and Dance for Comic Relief** (S)

7.30 When Lynn Barber Met Phyllida Barlow The veteran journalist interviews sculptor and art teacher Phyllida Barlow. (S)

8.25 Casualty Robyn's newborn daughter faces is rushed into NICU following her premature birth. (S)

9.15 All Round to Mrs Brown's New series. Brendan O'Carroll's irrepressible Agnes Brown hosts a weekend chat show. (S)

10.15 BBC News; Weather; (S) National Lottery Update (S)
10.35 FILM **Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End (2007) (12)** Fantasy adventure sequel, with Johnny Depp. (S)

11.15 FILM **The Reluctant Fundamentalist (2012) (15)** Drama, starring Riz Ahmed and Liev Schreiber. (S)

AFTER 12 **2.10 (BST) Weather for the Week Ahead** (S) **2.15** BBC News (S)

BBC2

When Lynn Barber Met Phyllida Barlow, 7.30pm

7.05 FILM **A Damsel in Distress (1937) (U)** (S) **8.40** FILM **Hue and Cry (1947) (U)** (S) **10.00 Growing Up Wild: Natural World** (S)(R) **11.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (S)(R) **12.00 Two Greedy Italians: Still Hungry** (S)(R) **1.00 War Films, Talking Pictures** (S)(R) **1.45** FILM **The Wooden Horse (1950) (U)** (S) **3.25 Flog It!** (S)(R) **4.00 University Challenge** (S)(R) **4.30 Only Connect** (S)(R) **5.00 Gardeners' World** (S)(R) **5.30 Puerto Rico – Island of Enchantment: Natural World** (S)(R) **6.30 Wild Ireland: The Edge of the World** (S)(R)

8.00 Grand Tours of the Scottish Islands Paul Murton crosses Scapa Flow. (S)
8.30 Dad's Army An enemy aircraft ditches in a reservoir. (S)(R)

9.00 Paula Rego: Secrets and Stories Nick Willing compiles an intimate portrait of his mother, the painter Paula Rego, using interviews and archived home video. (S)

10.30 QI XL Extended edition. With Jo Brand, Bill Bailey, James Acaster. (S)

11.15 FILM **The Reluctant Fundamentalist (2012) (15)** Drama, starring Riz Ahmed and Liev Schreiber. (S)

2.15 FILM **(BST) Albatross (2011) (15)** Drama, starring Jessica Brown Findlay. (S) **3.40** This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV

Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway, 7pm

6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled! 9.25 ITV News (S) **9.30 Alphabetical** (S)(R) **10.30** FILM **Carry On Follow That Camel (1967) (PG)** (S) **12.15 ITV News;** Weather (S) **12.25** FILM **Horrid Henry: The Movie (2011) (U)** (S) **2.10 All Star Family Fortunes** (S)(R) **3.00 Bargain Shop Wars** (S)(R) **3.30 Tipping Point** (S)(R) **4.30 The Chase** (S)(R) **5.25 ITV Regional News;** Weather (S) **5.40 ITV News** (S) **6.00 You've Been Framed! Unlimited** (S)

7.00 Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway The entertainer duo try their hands at archery, and Take That join the pair for a special End of the Show Show. (S)

8.30 The Voice UK The eight semi-finalists face another round of gruelling performances. (S)

10.20 ITV News; Weather (S)
10.35 Lethal Weapon A string of neighbourhood burglaries hits close to home for Murtaugh. Clayne Crawford and Damon Wayans star. (S)(R)

11.35 The Chase Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (S)(R)

12.30 Jackpot247 4.00 (BST) Who's Doing the Dishes? (S)(R) **4.50 ITV** Nightscreen

Channel 4

Escape to the Chateau, 7pm

6.40 Mobil 1 The Grid (S) **7.10 British Rally Championship** (S) **7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.30 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.30 The Big Bang Theory** (S)(R) **10.55 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **12.30 Extreme Food** (S) **1.00 Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix Qualifying Highlights** (S) **2.50 The Restoration Man** (S)(R) **3.35 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun** (S)(R) **4.35 Location, Location, Location** (S)(R) **5.35 Grand Designs** (S)(R) **6.30 Channel 4 News** (S)

7.00 Escape to the Chateau Dick and Angel only have a few weeks to prepare for their wedding. Last in the series. (S)(R)

8.00 FILM **The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (2011) (12)** Comedy drama, starring Judi Dench, Bill Nighy, Maggie Smith and Dev Patel. (S)

10.25 FILM **Robin Hood (2010) (12)** An archer returning from the crusades faces a plot by a traitorous knight. Medieval adventure, with Russell Crowe and Cate Blanchett. (S)

2.00 (BST) Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA (S)(R) **2.50** The Last Leg (S)(R) **3.50** Hollyoaks (S)

Channel 5

NCIS, 8pm

6.00 Milkshake! 9.55 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S) **10.30 Access** Showbiz news and gossip. (S) **10.35 On Benefits: Life on the Dole** Two couples planning the perfect wedding on benefits. (S)(R) **11.30 On Benefits: Life on the Dole** (S)(R) **12.3 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away** (S)(R) **6.25 NCIS** The first instalment of a two-part crossover with NCIS: New Orleans. (S)(R)

7.10 NCIS: New Orleans The final part of a crossover with the original NCIS series. (S)(R)

8.00 NCIS A seaman's murder is linked to a resurgent human trafficking ring. (S)
8.55 5 News Weekend (S)

9.00 When Celebrity Goes Horribly Wrong Contributors recall the popstars, actors, comedians and even astronauts embroiled in everything from sex scandals to televised meltdowns. (S)

11.55 Access Showbiz news and gossip. (S)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.10** Emmerdale **8.35** Coronation Street **10.35** Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway **11.35** Britain's Got Talent: Ant and Dec's Top 10 Moments **12.35** Take Me Out **1.50** FILM: Rumour Has It (2005) (12) **2.50** FYI Daily **2.55** FILM: Rumour Has It (2005) (12) Concluded. **3.55** Mr Bean **5.05** FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Animated comedy, with the voice of Steve Carell. **6.05** FYI Daily **6.10** FILM: Despicable Me (2010) (U) Concluded. **7.00** Scorpion **8.00** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) Comedy sequel, starring Steve Carell. **9.00** FYI Daily **9.05** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) Concluded. **10.00** Family Guy **10.30** Celebrity Juice Live **11.35** Family Guy **12.30** American Dad! **2.00** (BST) American Dad! **2.25** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Judge Judy **6.20** On the Buses **6.45** Murder, She Wrote **9.30** FILM: The Pure Hell of St Trinian's (1960) (U) **10.30** FYI Daily **10.35** FILM: The Pure Hell of St Trinian's (1960) (U) **11.35** Inspector Morse **1.50** Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale **3.35** Rosemary & Thyme **4.40** A Touch of Frost **7.00** Midsomer Murders **9.00** Lewis **11.00** Rising Damp Forever **12.00** Wycliffe **2.05** (BST) ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Britain's Outlaws: Highwaymen, Pirates and Rogues **8.00** Timewatch: The Last Days of First World War **9.00** Follow the Money **11.00** Top of the Pops: 1983 **12.15** Blondie: One Way or Another **2.30** (BST) Blondie's New York and the Making of Parallel Lines **3.20** Big in America: British Hits in the USA **4.20** Sounds of the Eighties **4.50** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Melissa & Joey **6.50** Made in Chelsea **7.55** Black-ish **8.25** Young & Hungry **9.20** FILM: Space Chimps (2008) (U) **11.00** The Goldbergs **12.00** Black-ish **1.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **2.00** FILM: Addams Family Values (1993) (PG) Comedy sequel, starring Anjelica Huston and Raul Julia. **4.00** The Goldbergs **5.00** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** FILM: Prometheus (2012) (15) Sci-fi thriller, starring Noomi Rapace. **11.30** Gogglebox **12.35** Bizarre ER **2.35** (BST) Rude Tube **3.35** The Goldbergs **4.00** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **4.45** Melissa & Joey **5.05** Revenge

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Come Dine with Me **11.30** Location, Location, Location **12.35** Coast vs Country **1.35** Rivers with Jeremy Paxman **2.40** Four in a Bed **5.20** Come Dine with Me **8.00** Finding Babylon's Hanging Garden – Secret History **9.00** 9/11: The Firemen's Story **10.05** 9/11: The Lost Tapes **11.10** 24 Hours in A&E **12.10** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **2.15** (BST) Father Ted **2.45** Father Ted **3.20** Food Unwrapped **3.50** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 Master of the World (1961) (PG) **1.00** Paddington (2014) (PG) **2.50** City of Ember (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Saoirse Ronan. **4.40** Brewster's Millions (1985) (PG) Comedy, starring Richard Pryor and John Candy. **6.45** School of Rock (2003) (PG) Comedy, starring Jack Black. **9.00** This Is England (2006) (18) Drama set in the 1980s, starring Thomas Turgoose. **11.05** Dead Man's Shoes (2004) (18) Psychological thriller, starring Paddy Considine. **12.45** Daredevil (2003) (15) **3.55** (BST) Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Deadly 60 **10.00** Top Gear **12.00** Motorway Cops **2.00** QI XL **3.00** Top Gear **5.00** Top Gear India Special **7.00** Not Going Out **9.00** Gavin & Stacey **11.00** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled **12.00** QI XL **2.00** (BST) QI XL **3.00** Parks and Recreation **4.00** Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 Secret Army **11.00** Sharpe **1.00** Secret Army **5.00** The Mrs Bradley Mysteries **7.00** Hetty Wainthropp Investigates **8.00** Maisie Raine **9.00** Taggart **11.00** Waking the Dead **2.10** (BST) Sharpe **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? **7.00** Monkey Business **8.00** Game Changers **8.30** Premier League World **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **11.45** Football Gold **12.00** The F1 Show **12.30** Wild Things **1.30** Portrait Artist of the Year 2017 **2.30** Futurama **4.00** Modern Family **6.30** The Flash **7.30** MacGyver **8.30** FILM: Star Wars: Episode V – The Empire Strikes Back (1980) (U) Sci-fi adventure sequel, with Mark Hamill and Harrison Ford. **10.55** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.50** A League of Their Own **12.50** Duck Quacks Don't Echo **2.50** (BST) DC's Legends of Tomorrow **3.40** Police 10/7

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The West Wing **11.00** David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive **1.30** Flying Monsters with David Attenborough **3.00** Making David Attenborough's Flying Monsters **4.00** Without a Trace **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.20** Last Week Tonight with John Oliver **11.55** Real Time with B Maher **2.05** (BST) High Maintenance **2.45** Banshee **3.50** Veep **5.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.10 Don't Tell the Bride USA **7.00** The Bill **12.00** Pegg Mitchell: Queen of the Vic **12.30** EastEnders **3.00** FILM Oliver! (1968) (U) Musical, starring Ron Moody. **6.00** M Family **8.00** John Bishop: In Conversation with Olly Mu **9.00** FILM: Get Smart (2008) (12) Spy comedy, starrin Steve Carell. **11.15** Grimm **12.15** Outnumbered **12.5** The Musketeers **3.00** (BST) Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers **8.00** As Time Goes By **8.40** dinnerladies **10.00** Last of the Summer Wine **12.00** Boomers **12.4** Porridge **7.10** FILM: Look Who's Talking (1989) (12) A single mother is ditched by her lover and sets out to find a surrogate father. Comedy, starring Kirstie Alley. **9.00** Peep Show **11.05** Bottom **11.45** Filthy, Rich and Catflap **12.25** Dylan Moran: Aim Low **3.00** (BST) Natha Barley **3.30** Nighty Night **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Live Formula 1. **8.45** Football Gold **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **11.45** International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers **12.10** The Fantasy Football Club **1.10** Crolla: The Million Dollar Story **1.25** Crolla v Linares: The Tactics **1.40** Live Top 14 Rugby Union. **3.35** Sky Sports Boxing Gold **3.55** Crolla: The Million Dollar Story **4.10** Crolla v Linares: The Tactics **4.25** International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers **4.55** Live International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers. Sweden v Belarus (kick-off 5.00pm). **7.00** Live Fight Night. Jorge Linares v Anthony Crolla. **11.30** Premier League Legends **12.00** Premier League 100 Club **2.00** (BST) Sky Sports Boxing Gold **2.30** Premier League Years **4.30** Live Formula 1. **5.00** Live Formula 1. **5.30** Live Formula 1.

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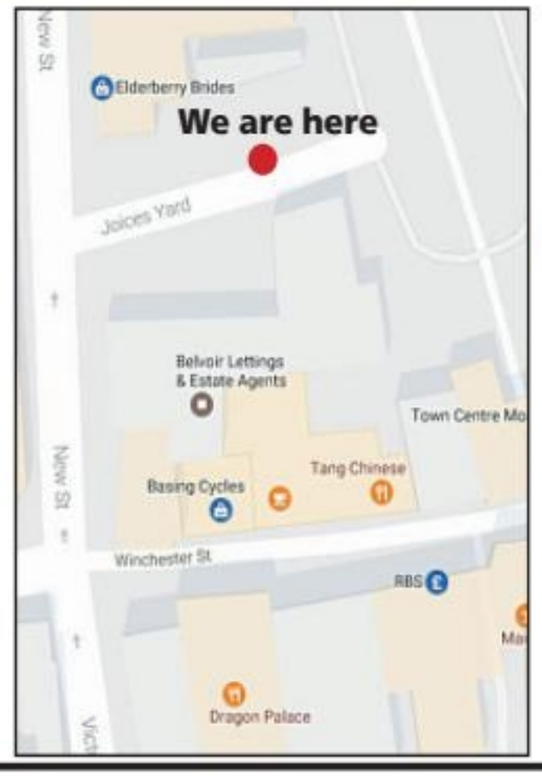

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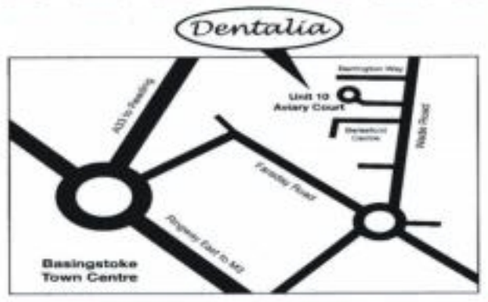

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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast (S) **9.00 The Andrew Marr Show** (S) **10.00 The Big Questions** (S) **11.00 Sunday Politics** (S) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (S)(R) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (S) **1.15 Flog It!** (S)(R) **2.15 Countryfile Spring Diaries** (S)(R) **3.00 Escape to the Country** (S)(R) **4.00 Songs of Praise** (S) **4.35 Shop Well for Less?** (S)(R) **5.35 The Best of Red Nose Day** (S) **6.35 BBC News** (S) **6.50 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S)

7 **7.00 Countryfile** Matt Baker and Ellie Harrison explore Denbighshire, meeting one of the country's most successful sheep farmers. (S)

8 **8.00 Antiques Roadshow** Fiona Bruce presents the show from Burton Constable Hall near Hull. (S)

9 **9.00 Line of Duty** New series. A detective is determined to bring a serial killer to justice and prove herself to her superiors – but her efforts may have led to a miscarriage of justice. (S)

10 **10.00 BBC News** (S) **10.20 BBC Regional News; Weather** (S) **10.30 FILM Iron Man 3 (2013) (12)** Superhero adventure sequel, with Robert Downey Jr. (S)

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AFTER 12 **12.30 The Celebrity Apprentice USA** (S) **1.50** Weather for the Week Ahead (S) **1.55** BBC News (S)

BBC2

8.15 Gardeners' World (S)(R) **8.45 Countryfile** (S)(R) **9.45 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites** (S) **11.15 Nigel Slater: Eating Together** (S)(R) **11.45 Simply Nigella** (S)(R) **12.15 FILM The Importance of Being Earnest (1952) (U)** (S) **1.45 Holiday of My Lifetime with Len Goodman** (S)(R) **2.15 Money for Nothing** (S)(R) **3.00 The House That £100K Built** (S)(R) **4.00 Back to the Land with Kate Humble** (S)(R) **5.00 Athletics** (S) **6.00 Inside the Factory: Bicycles** (S)(R)

7.00 Robot Wars Dara O Briain and Angela Scanlon present the next stage of the contest. (S)

8.00 Top Gear Chris Harris and Matt LeBlanc compete in a race across the Arabian peninsula. (S)

9.00 Turkey with Simon Reeve The first of two programmes in which the presenter explores the country that lies at the crossroads between Europe and Asia. (S)

10.00 FILM Cold in July (2014) (15) Premiere. A man finds his life descending into chaos after being hailed as a hero. Crime thriller, starring Michael C Hall and Sam Shepard. (S)

11.45 Live at the Apollo Romesh Ranganathan hosts, with guests Jason Byrne and Stewart Francis. (S)(R)

12.15 FILM Night Train to Lisbon (2013) (12) Drama, starring Jeremy Irons. (S) **2.00** Sign Zone: Question Time (S)(R) **3.00** Holby City (S)(R) **4.00** This Is BBC Two (S)

ITV

6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled!9.25 ITV News (S) **9.30 Countrywise: Guide to Britain** (S)(R) **10.00 Peston on Sunday** (S) **10.55 Wild Australia with Ray Mears** (S)(R) **11.25 All Star Family Fortunes** (S)(R) **12.10 ITV News;** Weather (S) **12.15 The Voice UK** (S)(R) **2.05 FILM Dr No (1962) (PG)** (S) **4.15 ITV News** (S) **4.25 Live World Cup 2018 Qualifier** England v Lithuania (Kick-off 5.00pm). (S)

7.30 You've Been Framed! Gold Comical clips, narrated by Harry Hill. (S)(R)

8.00 Vera The detective investigates Newcastle's drug underworld to discover the identity of a man found dead in the river. (S)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (S) **10.15 World Cup Qualifier Highlights** England v Lithuania. Action from the Group F clash between the countries at Wembley Stadium.

11.30 The Nightly Show Best Bits Highlights from the fourth week of the entertainment show. (S)

12.00 Premiership Rugby Union 12.55 Jackpot247 **3.00** The Cube (S)(R) **3.50** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (S)(R)

Channel 4

6.00 Kirstie's Vintage Gems (S)(R) **6.15 The King of Queens** (S)(R) **6.40 Cycling: The Pioneer** (S) **7.35 Everybody Loves Raymond** (S)(R) **8.30 Frasier** (S)(R) **9.30 Sunday Brunch** (S) **12.30 The Simpsons** (S)(R) **2.00 Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix Highlights** (S) **4.40 The Restoration Man** (S)(R) **5.45 Location, Location, Location** (S)(R) **6.40 Channel 4 News** (S)

7.00 Our Guy in China Guy Martin explores Beijing, helping out at a scrapyard, and visiting the hub of the market for selling rare and exotic supercars. (S)(R)

8.00 Rivers with Jeremy Paxman The presenter explores the Thames from its source in Gloucestershire to the Kent and Essex marshes. (S)

9.00 Homeland Carrie catches a break, Keane makes a plan and Max goes undercover. (S)

10.05 Gogglebox The households' opinions on recent TV. (S)(R)

11.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Jimmy Carr hosts the quiz with guest captain Claudia Winkleman. Last in the series. (S)(R)

12.00 FILM Grease 2 (1982) (PG) (S) **2.00** UK's Best Place to Live (S)(R) **2.55** Great British Buildings: Restoration of the Year (S)(R) **3.50** Building the Dream (S) **4.45** Kirstie's Vintage Gems (S)(R) **5.05** Fifteen to One (S)(R)

Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 10.10 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S) **10.45 FILM The Princess Bride (1987) (PG)** (S) **12.35 FILM The Wizard of Oz (1939 (U)** (S) **2.35 FILM The Parent Trap (1998) (U)** Comedy remake, starring Lindsay Lohan and Natasha Richardson. (S) **5.00 FILM Dirty Dancing (1987) (12)** Romantic drama, with Patrick Swayze and Jennifer Grey (S) **6.55 5 News Weekend** (S)

7.00 FILM Michael Jackson's This Is It (2009) (PG) Documentary following the singer rehearsing for his planned 50 shows at London's O2. (S)

9.00 Michael Jackson: Man in the Mirror Profile of the singer, exploring his development from child star to iconic adult performer. (S)

11.05 Michael Jackson on Trial The singer's 2005 trial on charges of child molestation, revealing how he was found not guilty. (S)

12.05 Kings of Pop (S) **1.00** SuperCasino **3.10** All New Traffic Cops: Under Attack (S)(R) **4.00** Criminals: Caught on Camera (S)(R) **4.50** House Doctor (S)(R) **5.15** Wildlife SOS (S)(R) **5.40** Angels of Jarm (S)(R) **5.50** Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

6.00 Emmerdale **8.35** Coronation Street **10.30** The Voice UK **12.20** You've Been Framed! Gold **12.50** The Vamps: The Hot Desk **1.00** 2Awesome: 2Awesome **1.05** 2Awesome: 2Awesome: Guidance **1.40** 2Awesome: 2Awesome: Fame High **2.00** 2Awesome: 2Awesome: Third Wheel **2.30** 2Awesome: 2Awesome: LA Story **2.45** Ant & Dec's Saturday Night Takeaway **4.15** FILM: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (2010) (U) Concluded. **5.15** FYI Daily **5.20** FILM: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore (2010) (U) Comedy sequel, starring Chris O'Donnell. **6.00** Catchphrase Mother's Day Special **7.00** FILM: Coyote Ugly (2000) (12) Comedy drama, starring Piper Perabo. **9.00** Ibiza Weekender **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad! **12.30** The Cleveland Show **1.25** The Vampire Diaries **2.15** Teleshopping **5.45** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

6.00 Hans Christian Andersen: My Life as a Fairy Tale **7.45** Heartbeat **9.50** Murder, She Wrote **11.50** Sherlock Holmes: The Hound of the Baskervilles **2.10** FILM: Anne of Green Gables (2015) (U) Family drama, starring Ella Ballentine. **3.55** Agatha Christie's Marple **6.00** Midsomer Murders **8.00** Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs **9.00** It'll Be Alright on the Night **10.00** Rising Damp Forever **11.10** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) **12.10** FYI Daily **12.15** FILM: Rising Damp (1980) (PG) **1.10** Inspector Morse **3.00** May the Best House Win **4.40** On the Buses **5.35** ITV3 Nightscreen

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

7.00 Revolution and Romance: Musical Masters of the 19th Century **8.00** Stunning Soloists at the BBC **9.00** 6 Music 2017 Festival Highlights **10.30** The Secret Life of Bob Monkhouse **12.00** Timewatch: The Last Days of First World War **1.00** Tank Men **1.30** The Century That Wrote Itself **2.30** How to Get Ahead: At Renaissance Court **3.30** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

6.00 Rude(ish) Tube Shorts **6.10** Rude(ish) Tube **6.35** Black-ish **6.55** FILM: Space Chimps 2: Zartog Strikes Back (2010) (U) Animated sci-fi comedy sequel, with the voice of Zack Shada. **8.25** Hollyoaks **11.00** Made in Chelsea **12.00** The Goldbergs **3.00** The Big Bang Theory **6.30** FILM: Iron Man 2 (2010) (12) Superhero adventure sequel, with Robert Downey Jr. **9.00** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **10.00** FILM: The Adjustment Bureau (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring Matt Damon and Emily Blunt. **12.05** Tattoo Fixers **1.05** The Goldbergs **1.40** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **2.35** Gap Year **3.20** Melissa & Joey **3.45** Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

8.55 Coast vs Country **9.55** Walks with My Dog **11.00** Homes by the Med **12.05** Come Dine with Me **2.40** Four in a Bed **5.20** Come Dine with Me **8.00** Nazi Megastructures **9.00** Father Ted **10.05** Man Down **11.10** 24 Hours in A&E **12.15** Ramsay's Kitchen Nightmares USA **1.15** Man Down **2.15** Nazi Megastructures **3.15** Food Unwrapped **3.40** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

11.00 The Addams Family (1991) (PG) Black comedy, starring Anjelica Huston. **1.00** Rango (2011) (PG) Oscar-winning animated comedy, with the voice of Johnny Depp. **3.05** Sherlock Holmes: Terror by Night (1946) (PG) Mystery, starring Basil Rathbone. **4.20** Inkheart (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **6.25** The Way Back (2010) (12) Drama, starring Ed Harris. **9.00** Ted (2012) (15) Comedy, starring Mark Wahlberg. **11.05** The Stag (2013) (15) **12.55** Crazy Heart (2009) (15) Drama, starring an Oscar-winning Jeff Bridges. **3.10** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

7.10 Top Gear **8.00** Top Gear India Special **10.00** Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge **11.00** Traffic Cops **12.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad **1.00** Lizard Lick Towing **3.00** Traffic Cops **4.00** Top Gear **5.00** Gavin & Stacey **7.00** Traffic Cops **8.00** Cops UK: Bodycam Squad **9.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **10.00** Taskmaster **11.00** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **12.00** Crackanory **12.30** Mock the Week **1.50** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **2.45** Parks and Recreation **3.35** The Indestructibles **4.00** Close

DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

7.10 New Tricks **8.00** The Bill **12.00** Great Expectations **4.00** Catherine Cookson's The Glass Virgin **7.00** New Tricks **9.00** Silent Witness **11.10** Spooks **1.45** The Mrs Bradley Mysteries **3.35** Garden Hopping **4.00** Home Shopping

SKY1 SKY: 106

6.00 Hour of Power **7.00** Monkey Life **9.30** Futurama **10.00** The Flash **11.00** WWE Raw Hits **12.00** Futurama **3.00** Modern Family **6.00** The Simpsons **8.00** Wild Things **9.00** Hawaii Five-0 **10.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.00** MacGyver **12.00** The Force: Essex **1.00** Air Ambulance ER **2.00** Arrow **2.55** Police 10/7

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

6.00 The British **7.00** The West Wing **12.00** Without a Trace **4.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Big Little Lies **10.05** Real Time with Bill Maher **11.15** Fortitude **12.15** Billions **1.25** Westworld **2.50** Banshee **4.00** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets

W SKY: 109

6.10 Don't Tell the Bride USA **7.00** Motorway Cops **8.05** Choccywoccydoodah **8.40** Celebrity MasterChef **12.00** Doctor Who **2.00** FILM: Oliver! (1968) (U) Musical, starring Ron Moody. **5.00** Outnumbered **7.00** One Born Every Minute **8.00** Dr Christian Will See You Now **9.00** John Bishop: In Conversation with Olly Murs **10.00** Murdered by My Boyfriend **11.20** Happy Valley **1.55** The Musketeers **3.00** Home Shopping

GOLD SKY: 110

7.00 Cheers **7.20** dinnerladies **8.40** Porridge **10.40** Boomers **11.20** Porridge **3.00** FILM: Look Who's Talking (1989) (12) Comedy, starring Kirstie Alley. **4.45** Porridge **8.00** Peep Show **10.00** Psychoville 2 **12.00** The Thick of It **1.00** Nighty Night **2.00** jam **2.25** Human Remains **3.00** Home Shopping

SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

6.00 Live Formula 1. The Australian Grand Prix (Start-time 6.00am). **8.30** Live Formula 1. Updates and interviews from the paddock area following the Australian Grand Prix. **9.10** Football Gold **9.30** The Sunday Supplement **11.00** Goals on Sunday **12.00** Live EFL. Scunthorpe United v Bradford City (kick-off 12.30pm). **2.30** Live EFL. Doncaster Rovers v Plymouth Argyle (kick-off 2.45pm). **4.55** Live International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers. Azerbaijan v Germany (kick-off 5.00pm). **7.00** Live International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers. Scotland v Slovenia (kick-off 7.45pm). **10.00** International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers **10.30** Goals on Sunday **11.30** International Football: FIFA World Cup 2018 Qualifiers **1.00** Sky Sports Boxing Gold **1.30** Darts Gold **2.00** Premier League Years **4.00** Sporting Heroes: Bob Wilson Interviews Gordon Banks **5.00** Premier League 100 Club **5.30** Spanish Football Gold

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ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Expect a few magical surprises

By James Richings

• *The Champions of Magic, from left, Edward Hilsum, Alex McAleer, Fay Presto and Young & Strange*

PREPARE to be amazed as the Champions of Magic entertain Basingstoke at the Haymarket on Sunday April 2.

The award-winning team of Young & Strange, Fay Presto, Alex McAleer and Edward Hilsum will be surprising the audience with tricks only your imagination could fulfil.

This is the fourth Champions of Magic UK tour, and Edward, who is the youngest member of the group, believes 'the power of theatre' is down to their recent success.

Champions of Magic have enjoyed sold-out shows in each of their last four nationwide tours.

"I've performed illusions on television and radio, but there is nothing quite like the moment of astonishment that we all feel when we experience magic live," Edward said.

"So I think the real secret is the power of theatre magic."

He added: "Every show has been memorable because all audiences are different.

"But I'll never forget when I opened the very first show, a huge pyro went off above me and although I was expecting it, the size of the explosion really took me by surprise!

"The effects in the show are just as exciting for us as they are for the audience."

Edward made his name at the age of 18 when working for The Magic Circle, before the British company sponsored him to go to America to start a one-man show.

The solo show was a success and cemented Edward as one of the UK's youngest talent magicians.

And even though he isn't a household name yet, Edward has great plans for the future, but has a back-up career. just in case

"I've wanted to be a magician for so long now that I really can't imagine doing anything else," Edward said.

"But I'm genuinely interested in other people.

"I got a first class degree in psychology at university, so I'm sure that if I had to do something else, it would still be something that involves interacting with people and I'd find a way to use my magic skills."

He added: "Even after hundreds of performances, little things do occasionally go wrong.

"But it's my job to make sure that the audience never knows, so I'm not telling and neither are the doves!"

Tickets cost from £17.50 from £69.

It starts at 7.45pm.

Strictly stunning

DANCE: Brendan Cole will be arriving at The Anvil on Friday, March 31.

The 40-year-old, who has performed at the Churchill Way venue before, comes to Basingstoke with his All Night Long UK tour.

Tickets £38 and it starts at 7.45pm.

Leap of faith

CHILDREN: A production about a frog who leaves his home will be performed at Central Studios on Saturday, March 25.

Goggles is a big frog in a small pond, before becoming a small frog in a big pond - but what will happen in Leaping Frog?

It starts at 11am, tickets £8.50.

Get your orders in

COMEDY: Al Murray will be at The Anvil on Wednesday, April 5.

Best known as The Pub Landlord, Al arrives in Basingstoke as part of his Let's Go Backwards Together UK tour.

His last visit to the Churchill Way venue was in 2015.

It starts at 7.30pm and tickets cost £29.50.

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Magical Victorian parlour tricks

By James Richings

AFTER their popular 2015 tour, magicians Rhys Morgan and Robert West are back on the road.

Their new show Parlour Tricks will see the magicians perform wizardry with a Victorian twist.

And they'll be at The Phoenix Theatre and Arts Centre in Bordon on Saturday, March 31.

Their show is not for a while yet but you better get your tickets before they sell out, as the dynamic duo are in demand, with their Station Road visit expected to be a sell out.

So, what can we expect next month?

"Ah, the toughest question for a magic show," Rhys told the Observer.

"The short and entirely serious answer is the unexpected and the impossible, or at least the theoretically impossible.

"Clearly it's possible somehow, otherwise how would we do it?"

The two met during their university days when they were both doing the same science course, and formed a friendship when they expressed their passion for the arts.

First getting into magic at the age of 20, the two wanted to stand out from their competitors, so Rhys and Robert decided to form their act around the Victorian era – dressing up in clothes from the times along with having back stories about their on stage personas.

The idea paid off and the two are currently enjoying a very successful first tour with their magic for two years.

And Rhys hopes the success will continue, despite the odd trick going wrong. "Things often go wrong, or at least deviate from the course that we would like them to take.

"The key thing to remember is that the audience don't know what is supposed to happen so you have to get good at playing it cool and shrugging off the errors!"

Their visit occurs just after the first anniversary of Paul Daniels' death .

Paul is regarded as one of the most successful magicians in Britain.

"We grew up watching Paul on television although by the time we started doing magic ourselves we were more focussed on Derren Brown," Rhys said.

"We first met Paul in 2011 when he was doing a show at the Edinburgh Fringe and he was very generous to us in his time and encouragement.

"We met him several times over the subsequent years and were deeply saddened by the news of his passing.

"He was one of the very best performing magicians and entertainers that the world has seen."

Tickets cost £11 and it starts at 7.30pm.

Rhys Morgan and Robert Smith. Picture: Steve Ullathorne

Radio show on stage

THEATRE: The popular radio show Under Milk Wood will be performed at The Haymarket on Tuesday, March 28.

Starring Guy Masterson as the late poet Dylan Thomas, who created the programme in the 50s, the Wote Street event will hear Masterson recite some of Thomas' most famous poems.

It begins at 7.30pm and tickets cost from £10 to £16.

Make mother's day

FILM: What could be more appropriate this weekend than Mother's Day at Central Studios tomorrow night.

Four mothers have completely different relationships with their children in the movie starring Jennifer Aniston, Julia Roberts, Kate Hudson, Jason Sudeikis and Jack Whitehall.

It starts at 7.30pm, tickets cost £5.

Danny's life story

COMEDY: Presenter, journalist and comedian Danny Baker will be at The Haymarket on Thursday, March 30.

The 59-year-old arrives in Basingstoke as part of his Cradle to the Stage UK tour.

Suitable for over 14s, tickets cost £22. It starts at 8pm.

ENTERTAINMENT & LISTINGS

Mortons

Berkshire & North Hampshire

April

Tuesday 11th April
Moreton-in-Marsh Market and Bourton-on-the-Water
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Wednesday 12th Apri
Market Day in Petersfield and Country Market Bordon
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Wednesday 19th April
Tewkesbury on Market Day and the Vale of Evesham
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Thursday 20th April
London's Borough Market and Bank of England Museum
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 22nd April
Canterbury
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £22.00 • Child £15.00

May

Saturday 6th May
Bognor or Littlehampton
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £20.00 • Child £13.50

Saturday 20th May
The Gower Coast
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £24.00 • Child £16.00

Tuesday 30th May
Kew Gardens or The London Wetland Centre
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

June

Thursday 1st June
Portsmouth and Southsea
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 4th June
Wimbourne Market and Poole Quay
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 18th June
Fathers Day at Weston-Super-Mare Air Festival and Armed Forces Weekend
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

July

Saturday 1st July
Isle of Wight (Guided)
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £33.50 • Child £22.50

Saturday 15th July
Swanage
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Wednesday 26th July
Dorchester Market and West Bay (Broadchurch)
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Thursday 27th July
Windsor or Legoland
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 30th July
Worthing
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

August

Wednesday 2nd August
Hampton Court Palace or Kingston-upon-Thames
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 3rd August
Rye on Market Day and Hastings
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Tuesday 8th August
Stewarts Garden Centre & Christchurch
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 10th August
Weymouth
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £13.50

Saturday 12th August
Whitstable & Herne Bay
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £22.50 • Child £14.50

Wednesday 16th August
Bridport on Market Day and Charmouth
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Thursday 17th August
Greenwich
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 19th August
Airbourne Eastbourne
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Wednesday 23rd August
Shaftsbury and Sherbourne
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 24th August
Oxford or Blenheim Palace
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Tuesday 29th August
Warwick Castle or Stratford-Upon-Avon
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Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Thursday 31st August
London do as you please
£ PRICE BUSTER
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September

Saturday 2nd September
Bournemouth Air Show
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Saturday 16th September
Clevedon and Cheddar Gorge
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Saturday 30th September
Brecon Beacons
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £23.00 • Child £15.00

October

Saturday 14th October
City of Cambridge and the American Cemetery and Memorial
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £22.50 • Child £15.00

Monday 23rd October
Poppy Factory & Richmond-upon-Thames
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Tuesday 24th October
Salisbury on Market Day and New Forest Drive
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Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

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Saturday 18th November
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Saturday 25th November
Bath Christmas Market
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

December

Saturday 2nd December
Lakeside Christmas Shopping
£ PRICE BUSTER
Route 'C' • Adult & OAP £15.00 • Child £7.50

Sunday 3rd December
Worcester Christmas Fayre
Route 'A' • Adult & OAP £21.00 • Child £14.00

Saturday 9th December
Lille Christmas Market
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Tue, Mar 28, 7.30pm
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Join Bilal as he takes you on a fascinating and hilarious journey of how his Twitter handle, @zafarcakes, became a focal point for the misguided rage of the global far right when it was mistaken for the account of a Muslim-only bakery.

Wed, Apr 5, 7.30pm
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Tue, Apr 11, 7.30pm
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Thu, Apr 13, 1.30pm
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A man excitedly waits for the guests to arrive at his party. The cake is made, the presents have arrived, and the music is playing – all he needs are his friends to make this the best birthday ever.

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Epic Volvo that's a dream to drive

By **Tony Yates**

IF you have ever driven a Volvo you will know only too well the stigma that used to surround the owner of such a vehicle.

And how many people will assume the only reason you bought one was because you were either a painter and decorator, over the age of 65, or you find watching the 'Time Team' on TV one of the most exciting events since the birth of the baby Jesus.

Well none of the above is actually true of course and it's all a bit of a red herring if I'm being honest, because buying a Volvo right now will probably be the best decision you are ever likely to make now or at any time in the future.

Power and Efficiency

The V90 I have on test is powered by a 1969cc diesel engine that has 190hp and 400Nm of torque.

Fuel economy comes in at around 62.8mpg (combined) with CO2 emissions of 119g/km, along with a top speed of around 140mph.

This is a big car though and I felt that the engine needed a bit more power to help give it some sprint appeal.

But if you select the 'dynamic' driving mode things start to feel that little bit more exciting and the V90 picks up its pace, but without having a massive effect on fuel economy.

On the Road

I expected nothing but the best and I was not disappointed. The V90 does not roll and scamper around like a scalded cat – it just glides.

It's actually like driving around on air – it's that good.

The grip levels are also another part of the V90 that work so well, because Volvo have once again built a car that feels epic on the road and so sure footed that even the most over enthusiastic driver would struggle to get it out of shape.

The new V90 also delivers cutting-edge Pilot Assist semi-autonomous drive technology, which for me is the most advanced standard safety package on the market today and includes Large Animal Detection and Run-off Road Mitigation – which is yet another feature keeping you safe.

Safety and Technology

Some of the standard equipment in the V90 includes; Sensus Navigation, voice-control system, City Safety including pedestrian, cyclist and front collision warning with fully automatic emergency braking.

Plus, there's Pilot Assist and adaptive cruise control, run-off road protection – it automatically tightens the front seatbelts should the car inadvertently leave the road – LED headlights with active high beam, two-zone climate control with 'Cleanzone' air-quality system, eight-inch active TFT crystal driver's information display, 17-inch alloy wheels (18-inch on D5 PowerPulse versions) and Volvo's in-car infotainment control system, which is basically a nine-inch touch screen control panel and where the majority of functions are accessed.

To Sum Up

The V90 is simply epic – and why we should all consider owning one.

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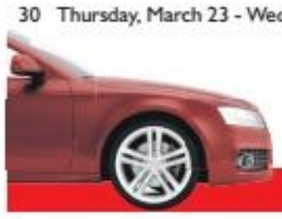

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Ref: WJC.I0187.1.lmms

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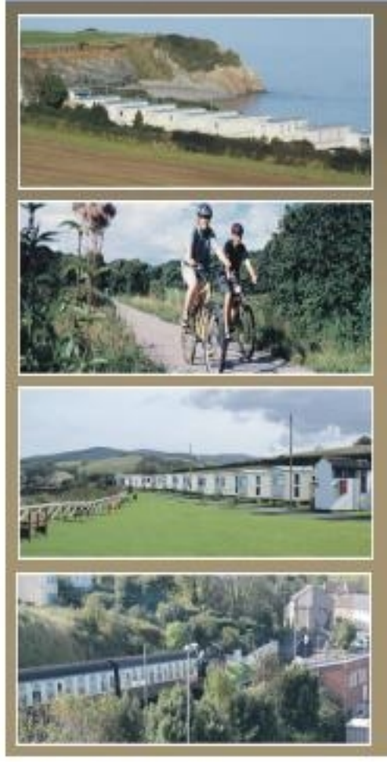

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'Stoke kick themselves for not taking chances

By James Richings

BASINGSTOKE Town lost for the 20th time in the league this season as they went down 2-1 away to King's Lynn.

In the opening 45 minutes both teams had chances, with the home side's Kegan Everington shooting just wide before Basingstoke's Sam Deadfield saw his effort miss.

It was a midfield battle for large parts of the first half with both sides trying hard to win the ball.

But just before halftime, Basingstoke had a glorious chance to go ahead.

Beautiful build up play between Terence van Cooten and Ashleigh Artwell bamboozled the hosts' back four, but Aaron Jarvis couldn't capitalise on the move, as he was unable to touch the ball home.

Basingstoke would have been kicking themselves at the break for not taking their chances and it came back to haunt them at the start of the second period.

Six minutes into the second half, Chris Ward leaped the highest to head King's Lynn in front. It was his first goal for the Linnets.

However, the hosts' lead did not last long as Jarvis equalised nine minutes later.

Similar to Ward's goal, Deadfield's corner connected with Jarvis's head right on the hour mark to give Basingstoke a deserved leveller. It was Jarvis's 13th goal of the season.

Basingstoke continued to pile on the pressure but were left vulnerable on the counter attack, and it proved costly as King's Lynn got their winner with 22 minutes remaining through Ward's second of the game.

The visitors chased for an equaliser and nearly left Norfolk with a point when skipper David Ray went agonisingly close, but his header from a Deadfield cross went wide.

Since the start of February, the Dragons have played 10 times and have only won four of them.

The defeat leaves them in 13th position on 50 points, while King's Lynn remain in 12th.

Basingstoke's next fixture is away to 14th place St Ives Town on Saturday.

Both sides have 50 points going into the game, but Basingstoke are one place higher due to their better goal difference, while St Ives have a game in hand.

When the two sides met at the Camrose back in December, St Ives ran out winners by two goals to nil.

Sport Bites

Red card misery

FOOTBALL: Whitchurch drew 2-2 with Bournemouth on Saturday after surrendering a two-goal lead.

Following a goalless first half, two quick second half strikes from Luke Walker and Jamie Mansell gave the Jam Boys a comfortable lead.

But after Scott Hansell was sent off for timewasting, Bournemouth scored twice with 10 minutes remaining.

Whitchurch stay in 20th.

Seventh heaven

FOOTBALL: Tadley Calleva defeated Pewsey Vale 2-1 in their Sydenhams Wessex League match on Saturday.

Goals from Cain Condon and Cameron George gave the home side all three points.

They move up to seventh in the table and face 14th place Totton & Eling this weekend.

Losing streak

FOOTBALL: Alton lost 2-1 at United Service Portsmouth on Saturday, which keeps them in 11th in the table.

It was their third defeat in a row, with Alton now conceding 12 goals in their last three league games.

Try not to lose

RUGBY: Basingstoke RFC will be hoping to end their run of two defeats when they play Eastleigh on Saturday in their penutimate home game of the season.

Basingstoke have been in patchy form of late, winning six of their last 10 matches and losing four times.

Tributes to club stalwart

FORMER Basingstoke Town defender, manager and supporter Simon Edwards has died at the age of 77.

An ever-present fullback for the Dragons, Basingstoke born Edwards joined his hometown team in 1963 at the age of 23, following spells at Tadley and Andover.

He would then spend the rest of his career at the club before retiring in 1974.

A popular figure, Edwards spent his post-football career in management and developed the Basingstoke reserve team until 1977.

He was part of the famous Basingstoke team that took on Northampton Town in the FA Cup back in 1972, when 'Stoke lost 5-1.

Up until his death, Edwards would regularly attend the Camrose to show his support.

He leaves behind his wife Doreen and daughters Paula and Karen.

Cheerleaders shine at ICC Open

CHEERLEADER group the Basingstoke Wolverines took part in the ICC British Open Championships at the Motorpoint Arena in Nottingham at the weekend.

Five different squads competed.

The first Basingstoke group of dancers – called Mystique – finished fifth out of 13.

It was only the second time Mystique had entered any competition.

The second squad to hit the floor were Prodigy and they finished in a respectable fifth place out of seven.

On Sunday the Queens took centre stage, where their sassy routines helped them finish third out of 15. Their success gave the dancers a winning bid entry to next year's championship.

The penultimate Basingstoke squad to take to the floor was Storm, who finished in seventh place out of nine.

Finally, it was the turn of Rouge who had to change two of their dancers at the last minute due to injury.

This didn't dampen their routine though, as they finished fourth out of six.

In an agonisingly close group, Rouge finished just 0.3 points off third place, which would have sealed a winning bid entry for next year's competition.

Members of the Basingstoke Wolverines cheerleading group

Students on the run

ABOUT 1,300 primary school students will take part in a race at the Newbury Showground.

The West Berkshire & North Hampshire Primary Schools Cross Country Championships take place on Tuesday, March 28 with runners from 52 schools taking part.

Over two decades the competition has gained a reputation as one of the UK's most popular cross-country events for schoolchildren

A number of sports leaders will be present at the race, marshalling and teaching youngsters how to set up and run primary events.

This year, Porterfield Public Relations, BST Gym, South-Down Engraving & Trophies and GazKaz Promotional Wear are sponsoring the race.

Collard ready for another title tilt

THE new British Touring Car Championship season is almost here, with Hook racer Rob Collard back in the driving seat for another year.

This is Collard's eighth consecutive season with West Surrey Racing, who for 2017 will receive manufacturer support from BMW.

"This is a big season in so many ways," said Collard.

"It's a huge honour and also a big responsibility to be driving as part of a manufacturer programme in the BTCC, especially as this is BMW's first official involvement in the championship for 21 years.

"Last season was my best as I fought for the title to the final round, and my aim for 2017 is to go a step further and win it.

"As a team, I think we have the strongest line-up in the BTCC and while we'll have to work extremely hard to get in front and stay there, we believe we can do just that."

Collard teams up with former series champions Colin Turkington and Andrew Jordan for this season.

The first round of the championship is at Brands Hatch on April 2.

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Bison finish third after taming Wildcats twice

By James Richings

BASINGSTOKE Bison completed a dramatic comeback to defeat the Swindon Wildcats 4-2 on Sunday, meaning they end the season in third place.

The dramatic match came after the two sides faced each other on Saturday, with Basingstoke winning that fixture 6-5.

The hosts were 2-0 down in the opening 20 minutes as Max Birbraer's quick double shocked Bison.

But last season's title winners didn't give in, and in the second session the tables turned as Bison started to crank up the pressure and dominated the play.

However, thanks to Swindon's Stevie Lyle – a former Bison keeper in the Wildcats' goal – the hosts were frustrated as they still couldn't get that all important net.

But they got a lifeline right at the end of the second session as Aaron Connolly scored from close range, following good work from Joe Rand.

Swindon were hanging on for dear life and were glad to hear the buzzer, as they finished the second session leading 2-1.

However, the Wildcats' luck finally ran out in the third and final session as Bison staged an incredible comeback.

Bison continued to pile on the pressure and great work by man of the match Tomas Karpov set-up Rand to make it 2-2.

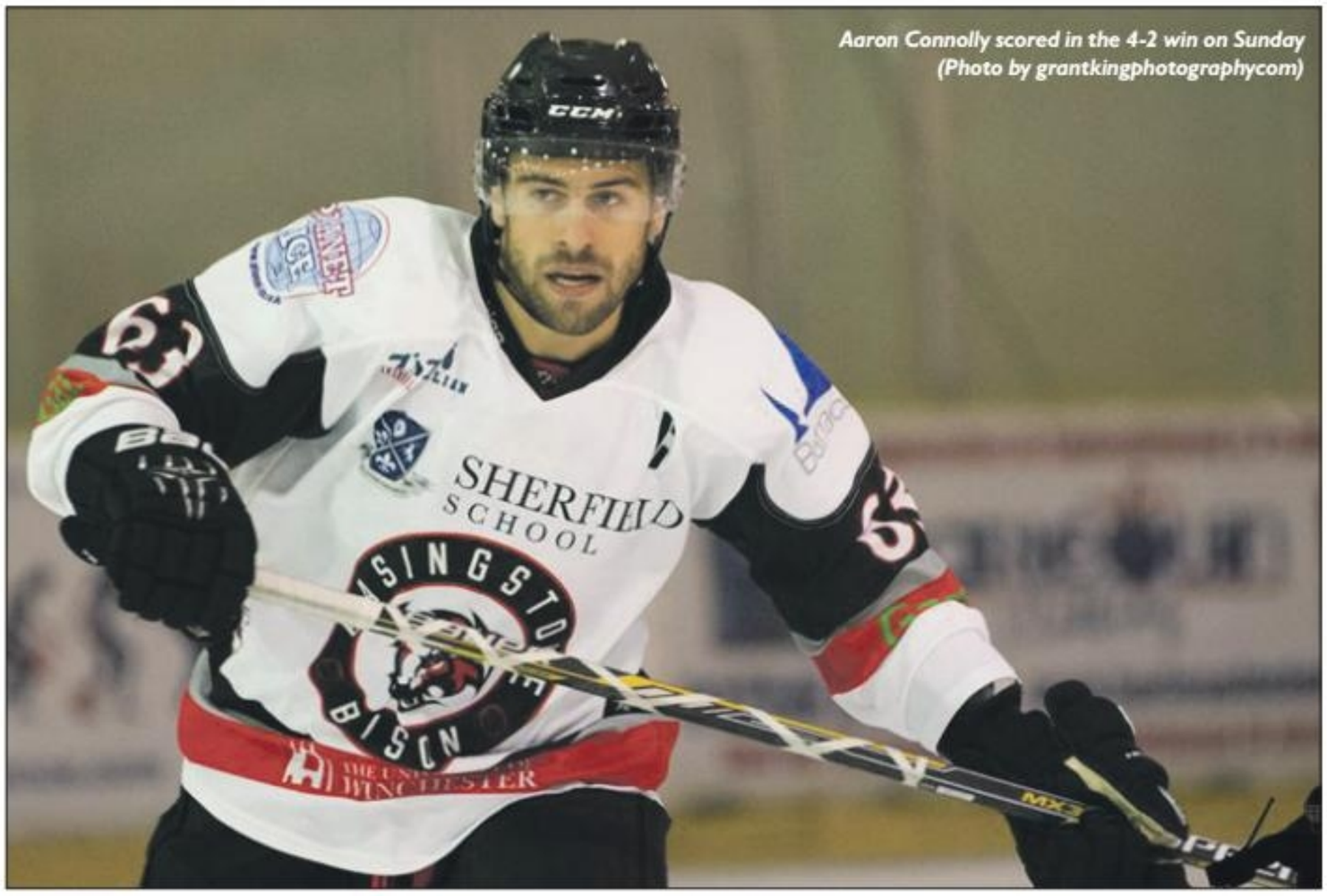
Bison were now in top gear and were given a golden opportunity to turn the game on its head after Olly Stone was penalised for tripping Grant Rounding.

This resulted in Ciaran Long scoring, following a lovely passing move involving Karpov and Dan Davies.

Swindon started to make changes and, with 90 seconds remaining, they decided to pull their goalkeeper, but the move proved costly.

Long capitalised on the tactical switch, where he was able to feed Derek Roehl and he fired into the empty net to seal the win.

The victory secured Bison's third place finish, while Swindon end the season in sixth.



Aaron Connolly scored in the 4-2 win on Sunday (Photo by grantkingphotographycom)

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